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Capt. Jay M. Smith salutes as he passes through sideboys after the change-of-command ceremony at Naval Support Activity (NSA) Bahrain. Smith relieved Capt. Roy L. Holbrook III as commanding officer of NSA Bahrain during a recent ceremony at the base.

Smith takes helm as CO, NSA Bahrain

By JO1(SW) Dennis J. Herring
Staff writer

Capt. Jay M. Smith relieved Capt. Roy L. Holbrook III as commanding officer of Naval Support Activity (NSA) Bahrain during a recent change-of-command ceremony held at the base.

Smith comes to NSA Bahrain after having served as a member of the International Security Affairs Division of the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, Office of Secretary of Defense (OSD).

Holbrook leaves Bahrain to take command of Naval Reserve Officer's Training Corps at Georgia Institute of Technology (Georgia Tech).

Smith was commissioned an Ensign in the

Navy in December 1980 following completion of Aviation Officer Candidate School in Pensacola, Fla. From there he entered flight training, and was designated a Naval Flight Officer in December 1981. He has since served four operational tours with EA-6B squadrons including command of VAQ-139 from November 1997 to March 1999. Captain Smith has made six deployments aboard various aircraft carriers, and has nearly 3000 flight hours. He has flown combat missions over both Iraq and the Balkans.

Smith's previous tours include assignments on the Joint Staff and staff of the Chief of Naval Operations. He also served as Executive Officer of the Navy's Medium Attack Weapons School at the Naval Air Station

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Navy Knowledge Online Expands Accessibility

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NORFOLK, Va. (NNS) — New and Improved.

It's a phrase that is heard everyday. Now, Navy Knowledge Online (NKO) can say it too. NKO, Sailors' one-stop shop for career management, is now available on Secure Internet Protocol Network (SIPRNET).

Since its inception, over 90,000 users have registered in NKO, utilizing the site more than half-a-million times, downloading over 330,000 documents. In June, the classified version of NKO was activated and administrators began migrating content to this site.

Now communities that primarily use the SIPRNET, such as the intelligence, cryptology and submarine, can connect with the Revolution in Navy Training and take advantage of all the great tools that NKO offers.

"Obviously being able to access career information in a secure environment is essential to several ratings and communities," Lt. Eric Morris, Naval Personnel Development Command knowledge management program manager. "Likewise, this link is vital to our being able to take training to Sailors, instead of bringing the Sailors to the training."

NKO's expansion doesn't stop with the classified side of the Navy. A new lightweight version of NKO is now being developed for ships. A pilot program will start this summer in conjunction with Naval Sea System Command's distance support testing and will operate without requiring Internet access. Success will be based on the ability to operate in a disconnected environment as well as the ability to replicate data to and from shore.

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Smith... from Front Page

Whidbey Island, and as Air and Strike Operations Officer for the Navy's Sixth Fleet, homeported in Gaeta, Italy. Prior to his tour with OSD, Captain Smith spent one year as a National Security Fellow at Harvard University.

In addition to the fellowship, Captain Smith's education includes a Bachelor of Arts Degree from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, and Master of Arts degrees from Georgetown University and the Naval War College where he graduated with distinction.

During his 23 years of service, Smith has earned two Meritorious Service Medals, numerous Air Medals, four Navy Commendation Medals, and a number of unit and campaign ribbons.



Commander, U.S. Naval Forces Central Command and Commander, U.S. FIFTH Fleet, is **Vice Adm. Timothy J. Keating**.

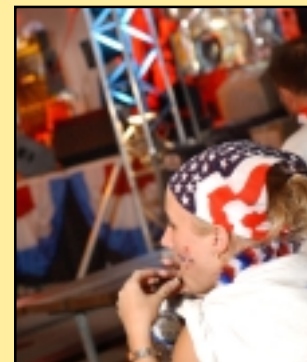
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Dexter Freebish entertains NSA for 4th of July

US Navy photos by PH2 Veronica Birmingham



Dexter Freebish, a popular pop-rock band from Austin, Texas, played for a crowd of Sailors, Marines, Soldiers, and Airmen at Naval Support Activity (NSA) Bahrain's Main Street stage on base. The band played as part of a MWR sponsored Fourth of July event.



US Navy photo by PH 1(AW) Ernest Hunt.

Vice Adm. Timothy J. Keating, Commander U.S. Naval Forces Central Command/Commander U.S. 5th Fleet, rings the base ship's bell as part of a July 4 ceremony on Naval Support Activity Bahrain. The ceremony, commemorating Independence Day, featured the ringing of thirteen bells on military installations throughout the world simultaneously at 2 p.m. EST.



Command Religious Program Naval Support Activity Bahrain



Weekly Schedule of Events

Monday

1200-Catholic Mass -
Chaplain's Office annex
1700-Gospel Choir Practice -
Chapel/Training Facility

Tuesday

1200-Catholic Mass -
Chaplain's Office Chapel annex
1830-Gospel Bible Study -
Chaplain Parker's home

Wednesday

1200-Catholic Mass -
Chaplain's Office Chapel annex
1700-Gospel Choir Practice -
Chapel/Training Facility
1815-Gospel Choir Practice -
Chapel/Training Facility

Thursday

1200-Catholic Mass -
Chaplain's Office Chapel annex
1630-1700-Confessions -
Chapel/Training Center
1730-Catholic Vigil Mass -
Chapel/Training Center

Friday

0930-Catholic Mass -
Chapel/Training Center
0930-Navigator's Bible Study -

Dome's Multi-Purpose Room
0930-Protestant Children's Friday
School - (ages 5-14) Youth Center
0930-Protestant Adult Friday School
Navy College Classroom #2
1100-Protestant Worship Service -
Chapel/Training Center
1100-Church of Christ Service -
Chaplain's Office annex
1130-Gospel Friday School Class -
Navy College classroom #2
1300-Gospel Service -
Chapel/Training Center
1800-Protestant Friday Evening
Fellowship - Chaplain Parker's home
* Jewish Shabbat Service 2nd Friday
of each month, Chaplain's office
Chapel annex

Saturday

0900-2nd & 4th Saturday of each
month, Gospel Men of Wisdom
Ministry - Oasis POC Bro. Miller
1545-Protestant Campaigner's Bible
Study - Bahrain School room 53,
POC Ketan

Sunday

1200-Catholic Mass -
Chaplain's Office Chapel annex

1800-Protestant Evening Worship
Service- Chapel Training Center
1915-Handbell Choir rehearsal -
Chapel Training Facility

Lay Personnel:

Muslim- CTICM Young
Church of Christ- SSG Veasey
International Church of Christ- PH2 Daniel P.
Lapierre
Latter Day Saints- CDR Hansen
Jewish- LTJG Joshua Frey

NSA Chaplain Staff:

Capt. (Sel.) Parker, Command Chaplain
Lt. Borger, Catholic Chaplain
RP1(SW) Jefferson-Brooks
RP2 Harris

NAVCENT Chaplain Staff:

Capt. Tidd, Command Chaplain
Cdr. Parisi, Catholic Chaplain
RP2 Redfield
RP2 Mosqueda

Note: If you have any questions regarding any of the
Command Religious Programs,
please contact our office at 439-4235/4303 or 724-235/
303, Sunday - Thursday.

* Event participation is contingent upon Force Protection
Conditions*

NKO... from Front Page

Navy Knowledge Online provides a multitude of services to foster and develop Sailors' careers and lives. "This is a great opportunity for us to partner with (the Naval Sea Systems Command) and utilize the great work they have already done to cre-

ate their distance support system," said Commander, Naval Personnel Development Command Rear Adm. Kevin Moran.

To explore the tools and opportunities being developed as a result of the Navy's Revolution in Training, visit NKO at www.nko.navy.mil.



<http://www.cusnc.navy.mil/afn/tvsked.pdf>

Oasis
Couples Dinner and Dance
Friday July 18th
1800
\$20.00 per couple
Dining, Dancing, and Fun for All
P.O. Box 1234
To Start
Fruit Salad * Thai Beef Salad * Waldorf Salad * Tossed Salad
Continuing On:
Roast Ribeye w/Pepper Sauce * Asparagus and Ham Puff's
Baked Avocado in Seafood * Chicken w/ Cashews * Crab Cakes
Pasta * Rice * Stuffed Potatoes
Broccoli * Carrots * Green Beans Au Gratin
Finishing Touches
Desserts from the Trolley * Chocolate Dipped Strawberries
Coffee/Tea
POC: Connie x9218 or Tanja x4206

3 POINT SHOOT OUT
NSA GYM
JULY 14
1130
SIGN UP
1100
PRIZES AWARDED

DEEP SEA FISHING
JULY 16TH
0800
MEET AT LIBERTY CENTER
BY 0730
BD 8
POC: Connie x9218

Now Showing At NSA's Paradise Theater

July 11 - 17, 2003

Friday- July 11

1530 *The Jungle Book 2* (G)

1730 *The Hours* (PG-13)

1930 *Cradle 2: the Grave* (R)

Saturday- July 12

1530 *Kangaroo Jack* (PG-13)

1730 *Shanghai Knights* (PG-13)

1930 *How to Lose a Guy
in 10 Days* (PG-13)

Sunday- July 13

1730 *Biker Boyz* (PG-13)

1930 *Tears of the Sun* (R)

Monday- July 14

1730 *The Hours* (PG-13)

1930 *Friday after Next* (R)

JUNGLE BOOK 2(G)... 72 min... Haley Joel Osment & John

Goodman: In this sequel, Mowgli leaves his new girlfriend and his human life behind to return to old friends and life in the jungle where he was raised. Shere Khan is out for revenge.... Can Baloo and crew help Mowgli avoid Khan's lethal claws?

FRIDAY AFTER NEXT(R)... 85 min... Ice Cube & Mike Epps:

After Craig & Day-Day finally move out of their parent's house and into their own crib, they get jobs at a local mall as unarmed security guards. When their house is robbed on Christmas Eve by a crook dressed as Santa, they team up once again, to track the crook down.

KANGAROO JACK (PG-13)... 89 min... Jerry O'Connell &

Anthony Anderson: Things get crazy for two childhood friends when they're forced to smuggle \$100,000 into Australia for the mob, and along the way the money is stolen by an obnoxious Kangaroo with an overdeveloped taste for fashion.

THE HOURS(PG-13)... 115 min... Meryl Streep & Nicole

Kidman: The lives of two desperate women, one struggling with a terminally ill husband and the other with a terminally ill marriage, are examined through the common thread that connects them, the life and writing of Virginia Woolf.

BIKER BOYZ(PG-13)... 111 min... Laurence Fishburne &

Derek Luke: They may be normal office workers by day, but when the sun sets, they take to the streets in their leathers to race. In the world of underground motorcycle clubs, the undefeated "King of Cali" is about to be challenged by "The Kid," a daring new motorcycle racing prodigy who is determined to win the King's coveted helmet.

PINOCCHIO(G)... 100 min... Roberto Benigni & Nicoletta

Braschi: Classic story of a wooden puppet come to life, and his

magnificent odyssey to become a "real boy." Despite guidance from the beautiful Blue Fairy and the love of his father Gepetto, Pinocchio's curious spirit leads him into one wild adventure after another, distracting him from his goal & distancing him from his loved ones.

CRADLE 2: THE GRAVE(R)... 101 min... Jet Li & Mark

Dacascos: When an international criminal kidnaps the daughter of a gang leader as part of a diamond heist, it causes a city cop to engage in an intensive search for her, aided by the father's gangsters.

SHANGHAI KNIGHTS(PG-13)... 107min... Jackie Chan &

Owen Wilson: After taming the Wild West in Shanghai Noon, Chon Wang and Roy O'Bannon are back in the saddle, but this time Chon is out to settle a score and avenge the death of his father while also keeping Roy away from his sister who has uncovered a world wide conspiracy to murder the royal family.

HOW TO LOSE A GUY IN 10 DAYS(PG 13)... 118min... Mathew

McConaughey & Kate Hudson: A columnist for a women's magazine proposes an article to cheer up a jilted girlfriend on how to get a guy to fall in love with her and lose him in ten days. The guy picked also has agenda. He's made a bet that he can get a girl to fall in love with him in ten days in order to win a lucrative ad campaign for his company.

Tuesday- July 15

1730 *Kangaroo Jack* (PG-13)

1930 *Cradle 2: The Grave* (R)

Wednesday- July 16

1530 *Treasure Planet* (PG)

1730 *Shanghai Knights* (PG-13)

1930 *Biker Boyz* (PG-13)

Thursday- July 17

1530 *The Jungle Book 2* (G)

1730 *The Hours* (PG-13)

1930 *How to Lose a guy
in 10 days* (PG-13)

TREASURE PLANET(PG)... 96min... Emma Thompson & David

Hyde Pierce: Follow a young cabin boy aboard a glittering space galleon as he and the crew set off on an intergalactic treasure hunt for the legendary "loot of a thousand worlds." Based on Robert Louis Stevenson's "Treasure Island."

TEARS OF THE SUN(R)... 121min... Bruce Willis & Monica

Bellucci: Veteran Navy S.E.A.L. officer, operating in the heart of war-torn Africa, finds himself having to choose between following orders and following his conscience. The assignment gets complicated when the doctor he is tasked with rescuing refuses to leave behind the injured people she is caring for.

To Baghdad and Back

By JO1 (SW/AW) Steve Bansbach
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NEWPORT, R.I. (NNS) — Hospital Corpsman 3rd Class (SW) Rob Dacunha never gave the Navy one thought until his senior year in high school when he talked to a recruiter, who made the Navy sound very interesting. Now, more than six years later, Dacunha has had a life changing experience.

Dacunha is 24-years-old and hails from New Bedford, Conn., but, from January to June, Dacunha was in Baghdad deployed with the 2nd Battalion, 23rd Marines, taking care of the injured during Operation Iraqi Freedom. While in Iraq, Dacunha was in charge of driving the ambulance and responding to injured personnel.

"I was part of the battalion aid station," Dacunha explained. "If a Marine was hurt, their company corpsmen would call us and give us a status report of the injured. Myself, two medical officers and another corpsmen would drive out to the injured and evaluate them, to decide if we could take care of them or if we had to medically evacuate them."

While he saw more than 200 Marines, Dacunha also helped take care of many Iraqis, taking care of them as well as he would take care of a fellow Marine.

"A lot of the Iraqis were injured because they were caught in the crossfire, or they would be handling unexploded ordnance," Dacunha said.

This is Dacunha's first deployment with the Reserves. Dacunha was active-duty military for six years before entering the Reserves last October, and he is truly amazed at the talent of the medical personnel deployed to Iraq.

"Every single person had a story to tell. We had a couple of people that were all set to enter Stanford University; they had to put that on hold. We had a cardiac surgeon's assistant, New York City paramedics, a hospital corpsman 1st class with a (medical degree) from South Dakota University. I was getting ready to start college myself when I was mobilized, but I tell you what, there was not a medical staff anywhere in country that could touch us," Dacunha remarked.

Of course, when you are on deployment, morale is a concern. Dacunha said the morale was the super high, especially when the Marines were out to accomplish a mission; but when they were stagnant, it bottomed out.

"If we were doing something, like

delivering food, morale was great, but if we were just waiting, it was terrible. You're sitting in 120-degree heat, drinking 110-degree water because there was no ice. It was awful," Dacunha said.

And while Dacunha is back home, he says that if he were called up tomorrow he would go, no questions asked.

"You don't know just how good we have it. People were coming up to us telling us horror stories, children were drinking out of the same water that goats would walk through. The people had absolutely nothing. I'm so happy that we helped out over there," Dacunha concluded.

Story ideas?

Contact *The Scimitar* staff:
scimitar@cusnc.navy.mil / 439-4027



Schedule of Events (13 - 19 July 2003)



Newcomer's Orientation

13-17 July (0745-1600)

Base Chapel

This is an orientation program for all NSA Bahrain and tenant command newcomers. All newly arriving military and civilian personnel are required to attend. Family members are highly encouraged to attend. The program gives valuable information about the base and Bahrain.

Arabic Culture & Traditions

13 July (1100-1200)

FFSC Annex

Learn more about the fascinating culture of Bahrain and the Persian Gulf. Different topics are discussed at each class.

Credit Management

16 July (1130-1300)

FFSC Annex

What is credit? Is there good debt and bad debt? Learn how to control credit and debt and not have it control you. Learn how to pay off your debts faster and put more money in your pocket.

The Explosive Child

17 July (1130-1300)

FFSC Annex

Have you ever wanted to know what makes your child melt down into an uncontrollable tantrum for no apparent reason or the slightest reason? This basic workshop will provide a framework for avoiding and reducing the number and intensity of tantrums. It will cover the do's and don'ts to help your child's cognitive development and improve reasoning skills.

For more information and to reserve seats,
call your FFSC @ DSN (318) 439-4046 or (973) 724-046